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S I R,

Edinburgh, March 31. 1794.

AT a numerous and respectable Meeting of the Landholders in this County, held on the 24th current, it was unanimously resolved to raise Two Troops of Fencible Cavalry for the internal Defence and Security of the County and Country.

THE means proposed for raising a fund to defray the expence of this intended levy of Men and Horses was a voluntary contribution; and the Meeting unanimously agreed to contribute, in proportion to their valued rents, a sum equal to eighteen months Land-tax, which they judged to be the most equal mode of dividing the burden, and would be the most agreeable to those Heritors who were not present, but who, it was hoped, would afterwards accede to the measure in question.

THE Collector of the Cefs was desired to call for this Contribution as early as possible, in order to secure a Fund to enable the Committee appointed to manage the Business to carry the intentions of the Meeting into immediate execution, without depending on the tardy and tedious collection of a gradual Subscription, because the state of things seems to require despatch.

As you were not present at the Meeting, I am desired by the Committee to inform you of these circumstances, and to request your acquiescence in the unanimous resolution of the Meeting, and your assistance to promote the important object they have in view.

IT will be a great satisfaction to all concerned to find by your answer, which is requested to be sent at your convenience, that the Plan adopted for Internal Defence, against the consequences of threatened Invasion, meets with your approbation and support.—I have the honour to be,

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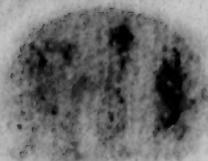
Your most obedient servant,

JAMES CLERK, *Preses.*

P. S. As several Gentlemen expressed an intention of Subscribing a Sum exceeding what the above voluntary Subscription may amount to, a Subscription-paper is lodged with the Sheriff-Clerk for that purpose.







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Thomas Cranstoun
Esq. of Dewar
Order to the Signet

